

LMIT's annual Information Technology Day is April 15

Lockheed Martin Information Technology is hosting the Tri-Cities' Third Annual Information Technology Day on Tuesday, April 15, at the Red Lion Hotel in Pasco. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and is free to the public.

The theme for this year's IT Day symposium is "Information: America's First Line of Defense for Homeland Security." Congressman Doc Hastings and Major General Timothy Lowenberg, Washington State adjutant general, are scheduled as special guest speakers to address federal, state and local perspectives on homeland security.



Gen. Lowenberg, a recognized expert in homeland security and the role of the National Guard, serves as Gov. Gary Locke's homeland-security advisor and Washington's principal point of contact with the White House Office of Homeland Security.

The symposium will feature multiple technical tracks presented by industry IT leaders. Participants can learn more from Microsoft about VB6 to VB.Net migration, mo-

bile enterprise solutions and .Net enterprise strategy. Cisco will make a presentation on its wireless solutions. Lockheed Martin will display several homeland-security technologies as well as addressing topics such as cyber security. Also planned are special panel sessions on IT education and training opportunities in the Tri-Cities and local telecommunications initiatives.

Advance registration for participants and vendors is available online at [www.itbridge builder.org](http://www.itbridgebuilder.org), along with details regarding the event. Pre-registration deadline for the \$12-per-person luncheon is April 11. Seating is limited, so register early to secure your place.

Over the past two years, IT Day has drawn more than 2,000 people from across the Mid-Columbia. It is ideal for IT professionals, business managers, business owners and students who are interested in learning about current and emerging technologies. Participants will also have the opportunity to visit with industry-wide and regional IT vendors. More than 40 different vendors of hardware and software, telecommunications services and products for the media, education, training, employment and other fields will be showcasing their capabilities and products.

Lockheed Martin Information Technology is the major corporate sponsor of the event. Other supporting sponsors are the Tri-City Herald, Columbia Basin College, Washington State University Tri-Cities, the Washington Software Alliance and the Tri-City Industrial Development Council. ■